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#### The search for a new CSUMB president: the process

The CSUMB Presidential Search Committee met on Sept. 29 at the Alumni & Visitors Center. It was the first and only meeting open to the public during the lengthy search process, which began last month.

The CSU system's policy requires that the chair of the Board of Trustees establish a five-person committee to select a president. It's composed of the chair of the board, the chancellor and three board trustees, one of whom is designated as committee chair by the board chair. Trustee Roberta Achtenberg chairs the trustees' committee. The other members are trustees George Gowgani and Bill Hauck, Murray Galinson, chair of the board of trustees, and Charles Reed, CSU chancellor.

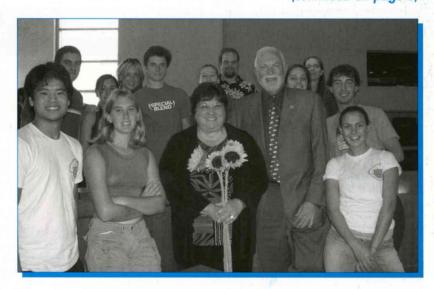
Board policy also requires the chair to appoint an advisory group to the trustees' committee. This advisory committee includes representatives of CSUMB's faculty, staff, students and alumni, all of whom have been selected by campus constituent groups. The advisory committee includes faculty members Dr. Amalia Mesa-Bains, Dr. Dan Fernandez and Steve Watkins. Farah Hussain, (IS, '03), of the Alumni Association, represents graduates. Ren Herring, president of the Associated Students, represents students. Petra Valenzuela represents the campus staff. Community members on the committee include Bob Antle, Bob Taylor and Tom Gray from the CSUMB President's Council. Also on this committee are

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#### A greener policy for the CSU

Sustainability, in simple terms, means providing the best for people and the environment — both now and in the future. To ensure that all CSU campuses practice good energy conservation, the CSU Board of Trustees recently approved a revised policy that calls for enhancing current conservation practices.

The revised policy calls for reducing system-wide energy consumption by another 15 percent, reducing requirements from the electricity grid by increasing self-generation to 50 megawatts, and increasing the purchase of renewable energy to 20 percent from the current 15 percent. •



Showing their support for the revised energy conservation policy (at the CSU Chancellor's Office) was a delegation from the campuses, including Interim President Diane Cordero de Noriega and Chico State President Paul Zingg. Students, front row from left, included Louie Okamoto, Theresa Juran and Associated Students' Environmental Senator, Zoe Carlson.

#### David Disend named interim VP for University Advancement

David Disend has joined CSUMB as the interim vice president for University Advancement. He has 25 years of executive experience managing all facets of development and alumni relations.



David Disend

Disend was most recently vice president for institutional advancement at the Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT), where he managed all programs and staff for fundraising, alumni relations, communications, marketing and special events. He was also executive director for the Oregon Tech Foundation. OIT offers associate's, bachelor's and master's degree programs in engineering and health technologies, management, communications and applied sciences.

At OIT, Disend increased gifts and pledges received in one year from \$680,000 to \$4.2 million and increased the number of annual donors by over 100%.

He was vice president for university relations at Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan, from 1993 to 2001. During his tenure there, gift assets rose from \$2.6 million to \$8 million annually. He also served as executive director of the Oakland University Foundation. While executive director, foundation assets grew over 200%, to \$22 million.

Earlier experience included executive-level positions in development at Antioch College, Ohio; Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.; Rutgers Preparatory School, New Jersey and Christchurch School, Virginia.

Disend has an M.A. in teaching from Duke University. He also attended The College of William & Mary for educational administrator certification.

#### Voters approve reduced fees for staff & faculty housing

The development fee assessed by the Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) for all new developments within its jurisdiction is the key factor in making new staff and faculty housing affordable. To assure affordability of new housing units, the university needs to obtain the lowest possible fee per unit. A special election was conducted in October to decide whether the university would be forced to pay the \$39,000 per unit that commercial developers pay or be entitled to a lower fee.

To decide that question, 278 eligible voters were contacted by mail and asked whether the university should be allowed to pay reduced development fees. When the ballots were tabulated by FORA, over two-thirds of the

voters passed the resolution — enabling CSUMB to pay a projected \$2,000 for each unit, compared to \$39,000.

Steve Reed, CSUMB's associate vice president for external relations, reports that the special election cost \$5,000 to run but that, in the long term, the money was well spent, it will save approximately \$12 million in FORA development fees.

To discuss the status of the new campus housing project, a town hall meeting for staff and faculty is planned for November. The time and location for the meeting will be announced via FirstClass. \*

#### Make way for the bikes

Anya Spear, CSUMB's campus planning analyst, represents the university on the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Bike and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPC). As a member, she helped extend Monterey County Bike Week activities to include the CSUMB campus for the first time last spring. With the help of students and Dan Kaupie, general manager of food service provider Sodexho, she arranged a free breakfast for those who arrived on bikes. The purpose was to encourage

In early October, Spear organized a bicycle tour to familiarize BPC members with the university's current bicycle and pedestrian conditions, as well as future master plans. The BPC met to briefly review campus maps (current and future), then bicycled around the campus quad and observed the area destined to become the campus "core." One of the central tenets of the CSUMB Master Plan is to create a "bikeable" and walkable campus. Future develop-

ment plans place academic buildings around a crescent-shaped meadow situated between Fourth and Sixth avenues. This clustered design will put student classes within a short walk, eliminating the need to drive and find parking. After the tour, the BPC generated a list of recommendations to consider as the campus grows and shared information about grants to help fund improvements. ❖



Anya Spear (center) discusses plan for proposed bicycle and pedestrian paths with BPC committee members.

#### Search process (continued from page 1)

bicycling on campus.

Dr. Marsha Moroh, interim provost, and Dr. Robert Corrigan, president of San Francisco State, both selected by Chancellor Charles Reed. The trustee and advisory committees function as one group.

Purpose of the initial meeting was to discuss the role of the committee, set the schedule of meetings, and review the descriptions of the campus and the presidential position.

The committee will review applications over the next several months and conduct interviews with the semifinalists. It's expected that the finalists will make public visits to the campus in early spring.

Dr. Diane Cordero de Noriega will continue as interim president until a new president is chosen and in place.

Based on past experience, it's expected that a group of 6 to 10 candidates will be selected for initial interviews, Reed said. Throughout the process, utmost care will be exercised to protect the confidentiality of applicants for the position. Following the initial interview process,

three finalists will be chosen; only then will those names become public. The finalists will each spend a day at CSUMB, meeting with students, staff and faculty. Assessing campus feedback from these visits, the trustee committee will then hire one of the three finalists, most likely in March 2006.

"This is one of the most open processes there is," said Reed. "We want all the constituencies to be allowed to speak. It's important to hear from students, faculty, alums — everybody." •

#### Foundation offices relocated

Last month, as part of the CSUMB Foundation's reorganization, the Foundation consolidated its core services staff by relocating to the ground floor of Building 201.

The new location accommodates the offices of Administrative Services, Business & Support Services, Accounting Services, and Facilities & Building Services.

#### Writing comes naturally to Ruth Paget

To bookstore patrons, Ruth Pennington Paget is known as someone other than an administrative support assistant in Human Performance & Wellness Education (HPWE). She's the author of five self-published books and, for two years, wrote restaurant reviews for the *Coast Weekly*.

As a restaurant reviewer, she specialized in ethnic

restaurants. Her goal was to introduce her readers not only to cuisines, but to different cultures as well.

"Ever since the age of 10, I wanted to write," she said. "Finally, I decided I wanted to write some books — basically for my family."

In 1999, she began writing her memoirs, beginning with Edible Tao: Munching My Way Toward Enlightenment, which tells the story of how Paget

turned her daughter into a world citizen by cooking the foods of many countries. *Eating Soup With Chopsticks* recounts the challenges Paget faced as a high school exchange student in Japan.

Edible Alchemy combines restaurant reviews, European and North American travel stories, and multicultural holiday stories, including a discussion of CSUMB's Day of the Dead celebration. More Leisure than Money captures the spirit of America's South, as Paget describes her life as a Navy spouse in Norfolk, Virginia. Her latest book, China Hand, shares secrets for benefitting culturally and economically by learning about Chinese culture.

Paget attended the University of Chicago, concentrating on East Asian studies. After marrying a Frenchman, she lived in Paris for seven years where she worked for an accounting firm. Her husband now teaches at DLI.

Paget's books are carried by Borders in Sand City and available online from Amazon.com.

She is a candidate for a master's in library and information science at San José State. Her goal is to have the breadth of knowledge of a reference librarian.

"When I got the five books done, I told myself to concen-

trate on my master's degree and my work." Paget has been employed at CSUMB since January 2001.

"I'm very much motivated by the Vision
Statement. I started out as a working-class student from Detroit, and a lot of people made it possible for me to have a very interesting life.

"I've reached that point in my life that I'm trying to give back. I've realized most of the dreams I had as a teenager. Now I just

want to help others achieve what they want to do; that's why I love working here." •



Ruth Paget has authored and published five books

#### CSUMB gets \$2.5 million grant

Dr. Mark O'Shea, faculty member in Teacher Credential Programs, and his team were recently awarded a \$2.5 million Teacher Enhancement grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The grant will help alleviate the shortage of highly qualified math, science and special education teachers in the Tri-County area.

Student teachers in these subject areas are eligible for \$3,500 scholarships to help pay for their year of student teaching in partner school districts. In addition, current teachers in need of a credential will be provided stipends and coursework to support the requirement to become qualified under the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

#### More changes in UPD

Last month, Officer David Maggart was sworn in as the latest officer to join the University Police Department (UPD). He graduated from CSU Chico in 2004 with a B.A. in criminal justice, after attending the



Officer David Maggart

police academy at Butte College. "David knows what it takes to provide police services in a university setting, based on being a product of the CSU system and with his community service officer experience at Chico State," said Chief Fred Hardee.



Sergeant Erik Rueppel

At the same ceremony, Erik Rueppel was promoted to sergeant. A UPD officer since 1999, Rueppel holds an Interdisciplinary Studies degree from Humboldt State with an emphasis in criminal justice and fisheries biology. He was selected UPD's Officer of the Year for 2004.

#### CSUMB news website upgrade

Clicking on *News & Events* at CSUMB's website provides a wealth of current, detailed information regarding CSUMB — all in one place and only one click away from the home page. The website is frequently updated. Here's what you'll find:

- News weekly happenings around campus
- News Releases
- Newsletters current and previous issues of Campus Connection, Campus Chronicles and Alma Otter
- CSUMB This Week and Beyond lectures, concerts, club activities
- CSUMB in the News a selection of newspaper articles about the university
- Emergency Information

Other resources available on the site include a FAQ which covers a variety of topics.

#### CSUMB: We are "unwired"

Intel Corporation's 2nd annual "Most Unwired College Campuses" survey ranks the top 50 U.S. college and university campuses having the great-

est wireless Internet accessibility. Of the top 50 campuses, CSUMB ranked 12th.

Survey findings were based on the percentage of



Senior Thomas White links up with CSUMB's wireless network.

each campus that's covered by wireless technology, the number of undergraduate students, and the computer-to-student ratio at colleges with more than 1,000 students.

#### **Upcoming events from Music and Performing Arts**

#### **Faculty Recital**

The Music and Performing Arts Department will present a faculty recital featuring soprano Paulette Gissendanner, accompanied by pianist Daniel Glover. Gissendanner will perform selections by Strauss, Handel and John Carter, among others.

Her vocal performance experiences include solo recitals, operatic presentations, jazz and big band performances and musical theater.

Glover was trained at The Juilliard School. He made his Carnegie Hall recital debut in 1992.

The recital will take place Nov. 13 at the Music Hall, Bldg. 30, from 3-5 p.m. Admission is free.

#### **Annual winter concert**

This year's annual winter concert, Winter Solstice, will include a wide range of music genres including classical, gospel, jazz and contemporary pieces. They will be performed by the CSUMB Gospel Choir, Nuovo Plaisir and the CSUMB Singers, along with special group and solo performances by MPA faculty and staff members Elena

Volkova and Eddie Mendenhall.

The concert will take place at the World Theater from 3-5 p.m. on Dec. 4. Everyone is invited, and admission is free.

For more information about either performance, call Shirlene Campbell at 582-3009. •



Paulette Gissendanner

#### Students raise \$3,500 for Katrina relief



Associated Students selling tickets for homecoming dance on the Quad. From left, AS students Lindsey Stetson, Michael Ludwig and Greg Cannon.

CSUMB's Associated Students (AS) recently pitched in to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

For three weeks, the organization's officers and student volunteers sold tickets for CSUMB's first homecoming dance, sponsored by AS. Ticket buyers had the option of giving the \$5 admission price to AS to help fund future events and programs or donating the money toward Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. Students overwhelmingly decided to donate money to help with the disaster. Approximately \$3,500 was collected by AS and other student groups for the cause.

The Associated Students organization is planning to conduct a survey among CSUMB students to determine what relief organization will receive the money. •

#### New employees

Francine Aguirre, Print Designer and Production Artist — UA

Rhonda Combs\*, Risk & Compliance Manager — Auxiliary
Accounting

David Disend, Interim Vice President for University
Advancement — UA

Kurt Hunter\*, Carr Lake Coordinator — SEP

Jessica Jones, Disability Resources Advisor — SDR

Michael Lerch, Manager of Energy & Utilities Projects — FS&O

David Maggart, Police Officer — UPD

Diane Moore, Administration & Finance Support/Programmer — ISNS

Michael Mutshnick\*, Resident Director — ORL

Abrahm Pedroza, Administrative Support Assistant — Purchasing

Lorena Rodriquez, Financial Aid Counselor — FA

Victor Salas, Grant Technician — Auxiliary Accounting

Susan Sanford, Disability Resources Advisor — SDR

Laura Tantillo, Administrative Support Assistant — A&F

Barbara Yesnosky, Director of Accounting — Auxiliary
Accounting

#### **Transfers & promotions**

Gulizar Baggson, Academic Affairs Budget Officer — Office of the Provost

Justin Clausen, Physical Plant Technician — ISNS

Monica S. Rodriquez, Administrative Support Assistant — ASAP

Monica Rodriquez\*, Senior Accountant — Auxiliary Accounting

Erik Rueppel, Police Sergeant — UPD

Lorena Villalobos\*, Junior Accountant — Auxiliary Accounting

#### **Probation** passed

Cynthia Olvera, Records & Registration Coordinator — Records Nancy Rogers, Recruitment & Compensation Analyst — UHR Eva Salas, Buyer — BSS

#### Departures\*\*

Barbara Richardson, IMSA — hired Aug. 11, 1998

Darlene Smith, TSS — hired Oct. 24, 2001

Lynn Yee, CSC — hired Jul. 9, 2001

#### Notes

- \* Foundation employee
- \*\* Separation dates previously noted on internal announcements may not coincide with an employee's last day on the payroll, which is reflected in the list above.

The above-listed former employees have given permission for their names to be published in Campus Connection.

Thanks to University Human Resources for this information.

#### Upcoming Professional Development classes

CSUMB is committed to the personal and professional development of its staff and faculty. From November through February, the following Professional Development activities are scheduled:

Nov. 8 — 9:00 A.M. to noon

Performance Management — Perspectives/Strategies for Goal Setting

Nov. 10 — noon to 1:00 P.M.

Lunch n' Learn — Understanding Workers' Comp Benefits

Nov. 15 — 10:00 A.M. to noon

Tech Tuesdays — Charlotte Content Management System

Nov. 30 — 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Essentials for Leads: Roles and Responsibilities — What is Expected of a Lead

Dec. 1 — noon to 1:00 P.M.

Lunch n' Learn — Understanding Benefits: Leaves A-Z

Dec. 8 — 9:00 A.M. to noon

Quarterly Management Briefing

Dec. 15 — 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

New Employee Orientation

Dec. 20 — 10:00 A.M. to noon

Tech Tuesdays — Intermediate Microsoft Word

Jan. 4 — 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

Delivering Great Customer Service — Administrative Professionals Certificate Program

Jan. 10 & 11 — 9:00 A.M. to noon

MPP Success Seminar (Please plan to attend both days.)

Jan. 12 — 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

Essentials for Leads — Communication and Feedback: How to Listen at a New Level

Jan. 12 — noon to 1:00 P.M.

Lunch n' Learn — Understanding Benefits: Savings Plus (401k/457)

Jan. 17 — 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Tech Tuesdays — Introductory Microsoft Excel

Jan. 19 — 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Community Day of Learning — 5 & 10 Year Service Awards

To register for any of these activities, go to the CSUMB.EDU/faculty\_staff/development website.

#### **Meet Nancy Rogers**

#### What's your job title?

Recruitment & Compensation Services Analyst

#### How long have you worked for CSUMB?

Two years, as of September 2005.



#### Do you like it here?

The campus environment is great.

### What's a typical workday like?

It consists of speaking to a variety of campus people, working with Karen Williams to

make the recruitment process happen, and speaking with the general public inquiring about jobs here at CSUMB.

#### What's most interesting about your job?

All the wonderful people I get to interact with on a daily

basis, having the opportunity to share with applicants all the great work that is being done on campus and what our future holds as we continue to grow — and getting his or her response.

#### Tell us about your personal life

I'm originally from Arcata and was exposed to campus life early. As a child, my grandfather worked at Humboldt State College, as it was called then, as a security officer. Humboldt's library now stands where my grandparents' house once stood, overlooking Humboldt Bay. After 29 years with Safeway and moves via Ukiah and Santa Rosa with the company's HR department, I moved to Monterey in 2003 and joined the UHR team. The reason for the move? I met a great gentleman, David Aliotti, and his wonderful daughter, Elise. They are my joy when I'm away from work.

#### What's something most people here don't know about you?

I love to fly planes, like the Cessna 152 and 172. While living in Arcata, I worked toward getting my pilot's license. Flying is a great way to relax!

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